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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

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Re: Application of Nobuhiro TAKANO, Takeshi TAKEDA, Eiji NAKAYAMA and  
Kazuhiko FUNABASHI  
DC POWER SOURCE UNIT WITH BATTERY CHARGING FUNCTION  
Assignee: **HITACHI KOKI CO., LTD.**  
Our Ref: Q77756

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation Application of pending prior Application No. 10/153,807 (Confirmation No. 9542) filed May 24, 2002 of Nobuhiro TAKANO, Takeshi TAKEDA, Eiji NAKAYAMA and Kazuhiko FUNABASHI entitled DC POWER SOURCE UNIT WITH BATTERY CHARGING FUNCTION.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, three (3) sheets of drawings, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is a copy of the Assignment as filed in the prior application, an Information Disclosure Statement, and a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 2838.

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a continuation of Application No. 10/153,807 filed May 24, 2002; the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	P2001-156588	May 25, 2001

The priority document was filed in parent Application No. 10/153,807.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

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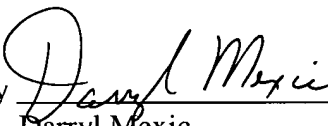
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A check for the statutory fee of \$856.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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